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CONTINUING SEARCH OF MISSION 9023 PHOTOGRAPHY FOR SSM AND SAM ACTIVITY HAS RESULTED IN THE IDENTIFICATION OF TWO MORE IRBM/MRBM LAUNCH AREAS, AN IRBM/MRBM SUPPORT AREA, AND A PROBABLE SA-2 SAM SITE IN THE USSR. ONE IRBM/MRBM LAUNCH AREA IS NEAR SOLY. THE OTHER LAUNCH AREA AND THE SUPPORT AREA ARE NEAR GVARDEYSK. THE PROBABLE SAM SITE IS NEAR PETROPAVLOVSK-KAMCHATSKIY. THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE LAUNCH AREA AND THE SUPPORT AREA NEAR GVARDEYSK CONFIRMS ANOTHER AREA NEAR GVARDEYSK AS AN IRBM/MRBM LAUNCH AREA WHICH HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN IDENTIFIED FROM [REDACTED] [REDACTED] AS A POSSIBLE IRBM/MRBM LAUNCH AREA. THESE TWO LAUNCH AREAS AND THE SUPPORT AREA COMPRISE THE GVARDEYSK NORTH IRBM/MRBM LAUNCH COMPLEX. NEITHER OF THE TWO GVARDEYSK LAUNCH AREAS CONFORMS CLOSELY IN CONFIGURATION TO PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED IRBM/MRBM LAUNCH AREAS.

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THIS MAKES A TOTAL OF 14 IRBM/MRBM LAUNCH AREAS AND 52 PADS NEWLY IDENTIFIED FROM MISSION 9023 PHOTOGRAPHY. THIRTEEN OF THE LAUNCH AREAS REPORTED IN THE THREE PARTS OF OAK 9023 AND THE TWO PREVIOUS OAK SUPPLEMENTS HAVE FOUR PADS EACH. CLOUDS PRECLUDE IDENTIFICATION OF PADS AT A 14TH AREA (NEAR SHISHCHITSY). THE TOTAL NUMBER OF SA-2 SAM SITES NEWLY IDENTIFIED FROM MISSION 9023 IS NOW 44. AS MORE SSM AND SAM ACTIVITY IS FOUND AS A RESULT OF THE CONTINUING SEARCH, THE INFORMATION WILL BE REPORTED IN ADDITIONAL OAK SUPPLEMENTS.

PERTINENT DETAILS ON THE IRBM/MRBM AREAS AND THE PROBABLE SAM SITE FOLLOW.

1. SOLY IRBM/MRBM LAUNCH AREA (NEWLY IDENTIFIED)

54-31-35N 026-17-20E, 4 NM ENE OF SOLY

THIS LAUNCH AREA, WHICH HAS FOUR PADS ARRANGED IN AN OFFSET INLINE CONFIGURATION, IS IN A WOODED AREA ADJACENT TO AN ABANDONED LANDING STRIP. IT IS ROAD SERVED AND CONNECTED TO A SMALL SUPPORT SITE .5 NM TO THE EAST.

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2. GVARDEYSK NORTH IRBM/MRBM LAUNCH COMPLEX

54-43N 021-10E, 5.5 NM NE OF GVARDEYSK

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THIS COMPLEX INCLUDES TWO LAUNCH AREAS AND A SUPPORT AREA.

IRBM/MRBM LAUNCH AREA (NEWLY IDENTIFIED), UNDER CONSTRUCTION

54-40-30N 021-08-00E, 2.5 NM NE OF GVARDEYSK

25X1D

THIS AREA, THE SOUTHERNMOST OF THE TWO LAUNCH AREAS IN THE COMPLEX, CONSISTS AT PRESENT OF A NETWORK OF ROADS AND CLEARINGS IN A FOREST. WHEN COMPLETED, IT WILL HAVE FOUR PADS. ON THE EAST EDGE OF THE WOODED AREA IS A SMALL HOUSING AND SUPPORT SITE.

COMPLETED IRBM/MRBM LAUNCH AREA

54-45-05N 021-09-00E, 6.5 NM NNE OF GVARDEYSK

25X1D

THIS AREA, THE NORTHERNMOST OF THE TWO LAUNCH AREAS IN THE COMPLEX, HAS FOUR PADS. INITIALLY IDENTIFIED ON [REDACTED] AS A POSSIBLE IRBM/MRBM LAUNCH AREA, IT IS NOW CONSIDERED CONFIRMED BECAUSE OF THE IDENTIFICATIONS OF A SECOND LAUNCH AREA, PAIRED WITH IT, AND OF AN IRBM/MRBM SUPPORT AREA IN THE VICINITY. 25X1D

IRBM/MRBM SUPPORT AREA (NEWLY IDENTIFIED)

54-42-00N 021-14-00E, 7 NM NE OF GVARDEYSK

25X1D

THIS AREA HAS A LARGE DRIVE-THROUGH BUILDING, A SMALLER DRIVE-THROUGH BUILDING, AND AT LEAST FIVE OTHER BUILDINGS. IT IS SERVED BY A NETWORK OF WIDE-RADIUS-TURN ROADS AND IS SIMILAR IN APPEARANCE TO SUPPORT AREAS IDENTIFIED NEAR OR AT OTHER IRBM/MRBM LAUNCH AREAS. IT IS CONNECTED BY ROAD TO THE LAUNCH AREA UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

3. PROBABLE SA-2 SAM LAUNCH SITE, COMPLETED (NEWLY IDENTIFIED)

53-05-45N 158-51-30E, 8.5 NM NE OF PETROPAVLOVSK-KAMCHATSKIY

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CLOUD COVER PRECLUDES A SEARCH FOR ADDITIONAL SAM ACTIVITY IN THE AREA.

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4. CORRECTION TO OAK 9023, PART 3, PAGES 8-9

IN ITEM 18, THE COORDINATES FOR THE SA-2 SAM LAUNCH SITE 6 NM ESE OF
KALININGRAD SHOULD READ 54-40-45N 020-38-45E INSTEAD OF
54-40-45N 021-38-45E.

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